Stamford Dam and Lake Stamford

OWNER

City of Stamford.

ENGINEER (Design)

Freese and Nichols.

LOCATION

On Paint Creek in Haskell County, 10 miles southeast of Haskell.

DRAINAGE AREA

360 square miles.

DAM

 Type
 Earthfill

 Length
 3,600 ft

 Height
 78 ft

 Top width
 24 ft

 Top elevation
 1,436.8 ft above msl

SPILLWAY (emergency)

Location Right end of dam
Type Natural channel
Crest elevation 1,425.8 ft above msl

SPILLWAY (service)

Location Type Crest length 900 ft to left of dam Excavated channel in rock

100 ft

Crest elevation 1,416.8 to 1,417.3 ft above msl

OUTLET WORKS (low flow)

Type

Concrete shaft

Discharge pipe 24-inch diameter by 442 ft long Control 2 valves, each 20-inch diameter

Invert elevation 1,382.8 ft above msl

Water is pumped directly from the lake for powerplant use by West Texas Utility Company. Water is pumped directly from the lake by the city of Stamford for municipal use.

STATE AUTHORIZATION

Permit No. 1542 (Application No. 1650) July 10, 1950, allows storage of 60,000 acre-feet of water and annual use of 10,000 acre-feet for municipal and industrial purposes.

RESERVOIR DATA (Based on 1966 survey by U.S. Soil Conservation Service)

Capacity (original)

57,630 acre-feet

Capacity (1966)

53,930 acre-feet at elevation 1,416.8 ft above msl

4,690 acres at elevation 1,416.8 ft above msl

GENERAL

Area

Construction started Dam completed July 14, 1951 March 1953 June 1953

Deliberate impoundment began General contractor Estimated cost of dam

L. & S. Contractor \$289,365

